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**DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION** 

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: Board of Electrical Examiners

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, February 1, 2012 at 8:30 a.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED: March 7, 2012

# **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Robert MacLennan, President, Professional Member Daniel Creedon, Vice-President, Professional Member Robert Sharp, Professional Member Nathan Schreppler, Board Secretary, Public Member Thomas Hartley, Professional Member Frank Beebe, Public Member William Poore, Public Member Richard Millar, Public Member

#### **ABSENT**

Jack King, Continuing Education Officer, Professional Member

# **DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL**

Danny Stevenson, Deputy Attorney General Jennifer Witte, Administrative Specialist II

#### OTHERS PRESENT

Walter Brittingham John Spader Cheryl Heik Ed Capadanno Finn McCabe Dale Davis Nick Sebastian William Nuse Gene Hazzard, Jr.

# **CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. MacLennan called the meeting to order at 8:53 a.m.

#### **REVIEW OF MINUTES**

A motion was made by Mr. Sharp, seconded by Mr. Creedon, to approve the minutes from the January 4, 2012 meeting as presented. The motion was unanimously carried.

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Proposal to Deny Hearing – William Noble

The hearing went on record at 9:00 a.m.

Mr. Stevenson introduced the purpose of today's hearing was a proposal to deny hearing due to Mr. Noble's criminal history and entered into evidence as Board's Exhibit #1 a packet of documents including: application for licensure as a Limited Electrician, grade repots and certificates of completion from Poly Tech School, criminal history report from the State Bureau of Identification, proposal to deny letter and green postal receipt card from the USPS, Mr. Noble's request for a hearing, and the notice of today's hearing with green postal receipt card from the USPS.

The Board members were introduced.

Mr. Stevenson asked Mr. Noble if he was aware that can have legal counsel.

Mr. Noble agreed to proceed without legal counsel.

Mr. Noble was sworn and testified that the crimes on this criminal report occurred when he was 17 years old and he is now 32 and a different person. He has been working in the electrical field since 2001 and is has been employed by American Electric in Lewes, Delaware since 2009. Currently he does estimates, reconstruction, new construction and has become very skilled at troubleshooting. He has not done much commercial electrical work.

Mr. Stevenson asked Mr. Noble what sentence he served.

Mr. Noble stated that he did not serve a sentence, but got probation and fines which he had paid off prior to the probationary period ending.

Mr. Noble answered questions from the Board members.

The hearing went off record and into deliberations.

The hearing went back on record at 9:27 a.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Sharp, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to grant a continuance hearing for the March 7 Board meeting in which Mr. Noble is to have gathered letters of recommendation, a character witness, a copy of his child custody documents and verification of employment signed by Donald Betts. The motion was unanimously carried.

The hearing went off record and adjourned at 9:29 a.m.

Verbatim testimony was taken by a court reporter.

# Final Denial of Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Sharp, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to deny the Master Electrician applications of Jacob Meredith and Robert Russo. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### Signing of Decision and Order

The Board signed the Decision and Order from the proposal to deny hearing of Dwight Francis and the compliance to Decision and Order for Harold Blair.

# Re-Review of Applications

After review of additional documentation, a motion was made by Mr. Schreppler, seconded by Mr. Creedon, to approve the Master Electrical reciprocity application of Jeffrey Fallon. The motion was unanimously carried.

# New Business

#### **Review of Examination Results**

The Board reviewed the examination results that showed out of four candidates only three had passing scores: Master Electrical: Thomas Gargalas and Scott Kolb, and Limited Electrical: William White.

## **Review of Examination Applications**

A motion was made by Mr. Sharp, seconded by Mr. Schreppler, to approve the Master Electricial examination applications of David Hazzard, O'Mar Saunders, Brian Denham and Douglas Blizzard. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Sharp, seconded by Mr. Schreppler, to approve the Master Electrical examination application of Bryan Blocker pending receipt of verification of work history. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### Review of Reciprocity Applications

A motion was made by Mr. Sharp, seconded by Mr. Poore, to approve the Master Electrician applications of Harry Miller III, Matthew Hamulack, and Lloyd Smith. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Beebe, seconded by Mr. King, to approve the Master Electricain application of Steven Bradley pending receipt of verification Maryland license and certificate of liability insurance. The motion was unanimously carried.

A motion was made by Mr. Sharp, seconded by Mr. Poore, to approve the Master Electricain application of Warren Vizzard pending receipt of certificate of liability insurance. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### **Review of Continuing Education**

A motion was made by Mr. MacLennan, seconded by Mr. Sharp, to approve the following continuing education courses as follows:

# <u>Delaware Technical and Community College-Terry Campus</u>

Electrical Technician Training, 10 hours

#### BlueVolt

Grounding and Bonding (2011), 10 hours Motors and Controls (2011), 10 hours

# Frank Caniglia

Bonding and Grounding Article 250, 5 hours

#### Construction Workforce Training Center

NFPA 70E & Electrical Safety for Electricians, 8 hours

#### <u>Local 313</u>

OSHA 10 Hour with Built-Rite (PSM), 5 hours
Photovoltaic's Systems, 10 hours
Instrumentation Installation, Calibration, and Maintenance, 10 hours
NFPA 70E (Electrical Safety-Related Work Practices), 10 hours
Applied Codeology, 8 hours
NEC 2011 Calculations, 5 hours
High Voltage Splicing and Termination, 8 hours
Significant Changes to the NEC 2011 (Part 1), 5 hours
Significant Changes to the NEC 2011 (Part 2), 5 hours
Significant Changes to the NEC 2011 (Part 3), 5 hours
Built-Rite Update (PSM Annual Update Course), 3 hours

## National Technology Transfer

2011 National Electric Code Changes, 10 hours

The motion was unanimously carried.

#### Review of Homeowner Permit

After review of complaint filed by an Inspection Agency, a motion was made by Mr. Creedon, seconded by Mr. Sharp, to revoke the Homeowner Permit of Lord Moses. The motion was unanimously carried.

#### Complaints Open/Closed

01-04-09-Closed

01-01-11-Forwarded to AG's Office

01-03-11-Assigned

01-04-11-Assigned

01-07-11-Assigned

01-08-11-Forwarded to AG's Office

01-01-12-Assigned

01-02-12-Assigned

#### **CORRESPONDENCE**

There was no correspondence.

# OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD

As this was his last meeting as a Board Member, Mr. MacLennan and the other members of the Board thanked Mr. Sharp for the 6 years that he has served on the Board.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Brittingham stated that there should be some type of public notice in the event that a Rules and Regulations Hearing is cancelled.

Mr. Brittingham also added that when a public meeting is scheduled to start at a specific time it should begin at that time and the public that attends the meeting shouldn't have to wait for the meeting to be called to order until after the Board has deliberated over reviewing applications.

Mr. MacLennan stated that the agenda will be changed going forward to have the review of the applications by the Board at the beginning of the meeting.

There was conversation between the Board and the members of the public as to the wording of the definition for "electrical work" as it will pertain to the two new license types as a result of HB 180.

The Board will review Chapter 800 of the NEC to see if it or any part of it will be excluded in the definition of "electrical services".

## **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING**

The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 7, 2012 in Conference Room A, second floor of the Cannon Bldg. 861 Silver Lake Blvd. Dover DE.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Mr. Sharp, seconded by Mr. Beebe, to adjourn. The motion was unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Witte

Administrative Specialist II